THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) & (b) Yes, Sir. A request was received from the Government of Rajasthan for the construction of an airport at Ajmer. Technical team from National Airports Authority (NAA) had inspected three sites and a site has been found suitable near village Sardana for construction of an airport. The State Government has been requested to acquire land and make it available to NAA free of cost.

(c) and (d) NAA has plans to upgrade the following airports in Rajasthan during the VIIIth Five Year Plan :—

Jaipur :—Expension & Modification of Terminal Building, Extension & Strengthening of runway and associated pavements, Provision of Aeronautical Communication Services and Ground Safety Services

Jodhpur :—Expension & Modification of Terminal Building, Provision of Aeronautical Communication Services and Ground & Safety services.

Udaipur :—Extension of runway and widening of Taxiway, Expension & Modification of Terminal Building, Provision of Aeronautical Communication Services and Ground Safety Services.

सौराष्ट्र-कच्छ हेतु विमान सेवाओं के लिये निजी एयरलाइनों का प्रस्ताव

4883. श्री चिमनभाई हरिभाई शुक्ल

क्या **नागर विमानन और पर्यटन** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या गुजरात में सौराष्ट्र कच्छ क्षेत्र में विमान सेवाएं प्रारंभ करने हेतु निजी एयरलाइनों और एयर टैक्सी प्रचालकों ने मंत्रालय के समक्ष कोई प्रस्ताव रखा है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) सरकार ने उस पर अभी तक क्या कार्रवाही की है और उसे स्वीकृति प्रदान करने हेतु क्या कदम उठाए हैं ?

नागर विमानन और पर्यटन मंत्री (श्री गुलाम नबी आजाद) : (क) से (ग) मैसर्स ईस्ट वेस्ट एयरलाइन्स इस समय गुजरात में सौराष्ट्र कच्छ क्षेत्र में भावनगर, बड़ौदा और राजकोट के लिए प्रचालन करती है । इसके अतिरिक्त केशोड और पोरबंदर के लिए प्रचालन करने का भी उनका प्रस्ताव है ।

Complaints Against ITDC

4884. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 511 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 29th July, 1993 and state :

(a) whether the reports of investigation into complaints by the Members of Parliament against ITDC have been received;

(b) if so, the details thereof, in each case;

(c) what action has taken in each case;

(d) whether any fresh complaints have been received by the ITDC management; and

(e) if so, the details thereof, casewise ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) to (c) Necessary information is given in the Statement (*see* below).

(d) and (e) Another complaint against the former General Manager, Lodhi Hotel, New Delhi has been received by ITDC which is under investigation.

A few members of Parliament complained against the misbehaviour of Shri R. C. Gupta the then General Manager of Ashok Hotel. He has since been transferred from Ashok Hotel.

Statement

Details of the complaints alongwith findings of Investigations Stated to be under Examination/Investigation

S. No.	Name of the MP	Nature of Complaint/Allegation	Findings of investigation	Action Taken
1	2	3	4	5
03	Shri Rajesh Kumar	Discrimination in fixing of rent of jewellery shop at Hotel Bodhgaya Ashok.	Not substantiated	Case Closed.
11	Shri Surya Narain Singh	Undue favour taken by GM, Lodhi Hotel for her daughter's marriage.	Procedural lapses were found	Cautionary letters have been issued to General Manager, Lodhi Hotel and the concerned official of Ashok Hotel, New Delhi.
14	Mrs. Kamla Sinha	Misuse of official position by Sr. VP (CP)	Allegations partially substantiated.	Charge-sheet has been issued.
17	Shri S. R. Majumdar & Others	Corrupt practice and mis-deed of GM Ashok Hotel, New Delhi	Procedural lapses and acts of omissions commissions and dereliction in duties were found.	Corrective action has been taken for procedural lapses. ITDC has also decided to take disciplinary action against the concerned officials for acts of omissions and Commissions, etc.

Losses of Indian Airlines

4885. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE :
SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU :
SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR :

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that losses of Indian Airlines have been increasing year after year; if so, the losses incurred during 1992, 1993 and the likely losses in 1994;

(b) the reasons for the increasing losses; and

(c) the steps taken and being taken to minimise the losses and to make the Indian Airlines a profitable venture ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) The losses incurred by Indian Airlines during 1991-92, 1992-93 and 1993-94 are Rs. 198.85 crore, Rs. 195.16 crore and Rs. 297.80 crore (provisional) respectively.

(b) the reasons for the increase in the losses; are mainly the following :—

(i) Depreciation in exchange value of the rupee.